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**APPLICANT** 

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BRAKING SYSTEM HAVING SWITCHING DEVICE FOR SUPPLYING ENERGY TO ELECTRICALLY

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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 8, 2003, the Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.